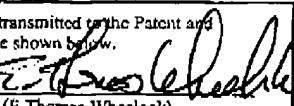


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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is filed after the submission of the Appeal Brief and is made at the suggestion of the Examiner in charge of the application. In this Amendment, claim 12 is amended to remove the word "chronic" from the claim and to substitute "complete electrical waveform" for "electrical properties." It is the undersigned's understanding that these changes will render the claims allowable and the various rejections will be withdrawn.

Appellants request that allowance.